

STROUD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.ANNUAL REPORT

of

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTHNicholas D. Duncombe, F.R.C., D.P.H. (LOND.)

Gentlemen,

In accordance with Circular 2067, Ministry of Health, the report for 1939 is an interim one dealing only with essential and urgent matters which have affected the public health.

Water Supply. The undertaking of the Council together with the supply of the Water Company and the Rural Council was taken over on October 1st last by the Stroud District Water Board. Samples taken of the Urban supply have always given good results.

Infectious Diseases. There have been no outbreaks of notifiable infectious diseases during the year; no cases of diphtheria and only seventeen cases of scarlet fever being notified.

A scheme for the immunisation of children attending the elementary schools against diphtheria has been approved by the Council and will be put into operation in 1940.

After the termination of the war a report will be made dealing more fully with the period from the beginning of 1939 to the end of the last complete year.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

Nicholas D. Duncombe.

